



SEAC Committee Meeting Minutes

Date & Time:	Wednesday, March 1, 2017 6:30 pm
Location:	Boardroom, C.E.C.
Next Meeting:	Wednesday, April 5, 2017

Committee Members: Jeanne Gravelle, Irene Holdbrook, Bill Conway, Rhonda Ruetz, Kim Murphy, Zina Bartolotta, Stuart Cross, Christine Zaza, Christine Goodeve

Administrative Officials: Laura Shoemaker, Gerald Foran

Regrets: Richard Gough, John Gilbert

Opening Prayer Welcome	J. Gravelle
Approval of Agenda	
Motion by: Jeanne Gravelle Seconded: Kim Murphy	
Agenda was amended to add 7.3 Budget Advisory Committee	
3. Declared Pecuniary Interest	
Nil	
4. Approval of the Minutes	
February 8, 2017 Minutes	
Motion by: Jeanne Gravelle Seconded: Kim Murphy	
5. School System Operational Business	
5.1 Community Transition Resource Officer/Conestoga College Developmentally Challenged Support Program	Tracey Fuschino Shelley Murphy (AIM)
Rhonda introduced Tracey to SEAC and welcoming her back again to present.	Will Candlish (KWhab)



Tracey gave a short welcome and background on Shelley Murphy from Adults in Motion, Shiona Hinde from Developmental Services Ontario, and Will Candlish from KW Habilitation. The Board has 34 completed DSO applications, 34 applications are in process and anticipate 61 additional students between now and January 2018 to get on the radar. There are 23 families that have not responded to DSO Services. Each of the participants walked through their presentation detailing their background and current practices. Presentations are attached.	Shiona Hinde (DSO)
5.2 BIPSA Update	
 Superintendent of Learning John Klein was introduced and presented an update on the Board Improvement Plan for Student Achievement known as BIPSA. The BIPSA sets specific operational direction to ensure that key components are outlined in the WCDSB's Multi Year Strategic Plan. Over 2015-2016 the WCDSB's Board Improvement Plan for Student Achievement (BIPSA) committee meets on several occasions in order to renew the BIPSA for a new three-year period. The BIPSA aspiration is to increase student achievement and well-being by focusing professional learning on evidence-based instructional strategies, mindfully using a variety of tools and technologies. Collaboration is a significant theme throughout the BIPSA. 	J. Klein
Presentation is attached.	
6. Ministry Updates 6.1 Nil	L. Shoemaker
7. SEAC Committee Functions	
7.1 PAaC on SEAC Effective Practices Handbook Associations and development of WCDSB SEAC protocols deferred to April 5 SEAC meeting.	All
 7.2 Special Education Plan Tracey falls under Section 9 of the Plan and she is now full time and tonight was an example of all the hard work, enthusiasm and dedication she has put into this role. 	L. Shoemaker
7.3 Budget Committee Update Rhonda provided a brief update on the Budget Survey for stakeholders to participate on the online survey which will be posted on the Board's website shortly for all.	R. Ruetz
For anyone who may have been struggling to understand the various pieces of special education funding, this January 2017 Ministry presentation may be helpful http://education.chiefs-of-ontario.org/upload/documents/spec-ed-funding-overview-coo-thunder-bay.pdf	J. Gravelle
Further this next web site offers a video taped session with a presenter speaking to the slides under Pre-module 2 – Education Funding,	
https://sbsb.edu.gov.on.ca/VDIR1/Internal%20Audit/AuditCommittee.aspx ?Link=InternalAudit	



7.4 Pro Grant Update	
Jeanne gave a brief update on the status of the Pro Grant event:	
51 parents registered to date	
20 children registered for child care	
All speakers will be up front and introduced by the key note speaker	
Diocese is interested in partnering with the Committee for the booklet	
Budget is on track	
Video has been arranged and requires a deposit	
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8. Policy Advice to the Board	
Nil	
9. Association Concerns/Association Updates	
(20 minutes)	
9.1 Trustee Update	
Jeanne Gravelle and Bill Conway gave brief updates to SEAC members on the	J. Gravelle
highlights of the February board meeting regarding:	B. Conway
OCSTA Presentation to Director of the Education	
STSWR Annual Report	
Dominican Experience	
MYSP Survey	
Staff Report St Agatha CES	
https://www.wcdsb.ca/about/board/minutes/CommitteeWhole/pdf/2017/agend	
a/2017-02-13-Committee-of-the-Whole-Agenda.pdf	
Association Undete	
Association Update	
Easter Seals Ontario	R. Ruetz
Alison's blog http://education.easterseals.org/special-education-in-ontario/	
Now Plag on Banart aard and the IED	
New Blog on Report card and the IEP.	
Waterloo Regional Down Syndrome Society is having World Down Syndrome Day	K. Murphy
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10. Pending Items	
L. Notten introduced the new Catholic education survey "Renewing the	
Promise" and it will be on the April agenda.	
11. Adjournment	
SEAC members extended the meeting by five minutes, carried by consensus:	
Motion by: Jeanne Gravelle	
Seconded: Bill Conway	
Adjournment:	
Motion by: Irene Holdbrook	
Seconded: Zina Bartolotta	
12. Action Items Place Holder	